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STEUART PITTMAN County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 36

TO CREATE THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY INTER-FAITH ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the County Executive is committed to attempting to assist at-risk populations in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive recognizes that inter-faith groups play an important role in addressing social and community issues and assisting with and meeting the needs of at-risk populations, including people suffering from homelessness, addiction, mental illness, domestic violence, food insecurity and poverty; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive also recognizes that a group of representatives of inter-faith groups can provide valuable advice, counsel, and support to the County on how to best assist these County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steuart Pittman, County Executive, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter and laws of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, hereby order and direct on this 19th day of January, 2021, as follows:

- 1. The Anne Arundel County Inter-faith Advisory Council, a multi-denominational Council of faith-based leaders, is created.
- 2. The Council shall meet with the frequency it determines necessary to perform its functions under this Executive Order. There shall be at least one meeting per quarter.
- 3. Members of the Council shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the County Executive.
- 4. The Council shall consist of up to nineteen (19) leaders of various inter-faith groups, representing all councilmanic districts. The County Executive shall recommend and appoint all Council members.

- 5. The initial term of voting members shall be staggered so that six members shall serve initial three year terms, six members shall serve initial two year terms, and seven members shall serve initial one year terms. After the expiration of the initial terms, all members shall serve three year terms. A member whose term has expired holds over until a successor is appointed.
- 6. The following departments shall have representatives serving as ex officio members of the Council: Community Engagement and Constituent Services; a representative of the County land use departments, a representative of the County public safety departments, a representative of the County health and human services departments, a representative of Anne Arundel County public schools, and a representative of Anne Arundel Community College.
- 7. The County Executive shall appoint one of the members as Chair.
- 8. The County Executive shall assign a County employee as liaison to the Council to assist with administrative matters.
- 9. The Council shall advise the County Executive on needs of faith organizations and community; available resources, and best practices and other relevant issues related to the County's various communities.
- 10. The Council shall submit an annual report to the County Executive by October 31 of each year that sets forth the status of plans and progress of the responsibilities set forth herein, as well as the goals and priorities for the next year.
- 11. The Council shall meet annually with the County Executive or the designee of the County Executive.

This Order shall be archived by the Office of Law and remain in existence until altered or terminated by another Executive Order.

STEUART PITTMAN
County Executive

Approved as to form analegal sufficiency:

Gregory J. Swain County Attorney